

NATATORIUM NOTES.

Clear as crystal limpid as ether, diaphanous as the sublimity of the magnificent body of water now filling the big natatorium—six feet deep one end, three feet the other, 110 gallons per minute coming in at one end, and 110 going out simultaneously at the other. The looks have nearly all been lost and the water was again turned on last Wednesday at 9 o'clock, a. m. and it steadily and majestically rose until midnight, when the maximum height was reached and the pool commenced discharging through the big overflow pipe. This is a consummation that has been devoutly wished for—now it moves out of the realm of the "might be" and is numbered among those that "are."

An elegant spectators' gallery has been erected around the pool and is now provided with seats. A charge of 5 cents is made for spectators.

The contest for the Moise medal will take place on the night of Thursday, the 27th day of September. The contest will be open to girls only under 15 years of age, and only to those who have learned to swim since the opening of natatorium. There will be three judges to decide the contest. The points that will be passed upon will be rapidity in swimming, gracefulness in swimming, variety in swimming, grace in diving and endurance in swimming.

The attendance at the natatorium Thursday was the largest on record, and a great many were unable to go in on account of there being no bathing suits left. This is a condition that is bound now to constantly occur, and there is but one thing to do, and that is for every lady and gentleman to own their own suit. This is also true economy, as one soon pays for a suit twice over who depends on renting.

The attendance on Saturday came very near being up to the record of the best day. The Saturday midnight closing seemed especially appreciated—the clerks turned out almost in a body to visit the natatorium after the close of the store Saturday night.

In response to the offer on the part of the management to send off for suits, 71 applications were received and the orders forwarded—of which fully one-third were ladies. The number of orders for suits was a surprise, and shows the deep and widespread interest being taken in the natatorium.

A splendid attendance Monday—the pool was crowded from 6 in the morning till the close at 10 in the evening—an ever coming and going an ever changing procession of faces.

Messrs. Frier and Bultman have permanently rented one of the elegant private dressing rooms and are today fitting same up with various toilet accessories—they say it will be a thing of beauty when they are through with it. These rooms when taken by the month are 75c per month.

It is the intention of the management to carefully study the wishes and desires of the public. No effort nor money will be spared to bring the natatorium to the perfection of a dream realized. With this end constantly in view it has been decided to immediately put in, from the city water works, a one-inch pipe of cold water. With a 60-pound pressure behind it this stream will bring the temperature of the water right down to barely tepid—or it could be made actually cold as will. The contest has been let and the work is already well under way and will be finished by tomorrow noon.

A contract has also been let to erect a cold shower bath to be taken when emerging from the bath, this without any extra charge to the bather. The cold shower will also be ready at noon tomorrow. The two improvements will cost over fifty dollars.

Yielding to numerous solicitations on the part of the young men of the city, the management has decided to give two or three evenings of each week for ladies and gentlemen together. Thursday night of this week will inaugurate this change. It is understood that a large party of thirty ladies and gentlemen are making up for that evening.

"Kid" Knocks London Out in Three Rounds.

"Kid" the barber, and London Thompson engaged in a prize fight last week. The fight took place on the vacant lot next to the Delgar Real Squad house, and lasted just three rounds. In the third round "Kid" struck London a terrible blow on the left cheek, which sent him to the ground, and he was unable to stand upon his feet when time was called.

A large crowd saw the fight as no admission fee was charged.

Teachers' Day at the Summer School.

The faculty of the summer school and the teacher-pupils held a reception at the Graded School building Friday at which the school trustees of the county and a number of others who are interested in school work in the county were present. The particular feature of the occasion was an exhibit of the work accomplished in drawing under the instruction of Miss Saunders. The black board work—maps, objects, etc.—which was done this morning was especially good and was a striking demonstration of what can be accomplished by a competent instructor within the brief period of three weeks. There were a great many other specimens of the work of the drawing class on exhibition and the improvement that those specimens showed to have been made is remarkable. While it is not possible now to expect that the summer school course in drawing will fit a teacher to give instruction in drawing in the schools, yet the course is of the greatest value to the teachers for it enables them to accomplish much better results with the black board, and the knowledge acquired in of such a character that the study of drawing can be continued without a teacher.

Refreshments were served by the teacher-pupils, and an hour or more was spent both profitably and pleasantly by all who were present.

The following was the program:
Prayer.
Inst. Duett—Coquette's Smile—Misses Teicher.
Solo—It Was a Dream—Miss O. Bethea.
Recitation—Selected—Mr. H. O. Bethea.
Discussions.
Inst. Duett—American Girls—Misses Teicher.
Recitation—Selected—Miss Teicher.
Song—Because—Miss Marie Teicher.
Chorus—Now The Roll of The Lively Dram.

Tetter, Salt-Rheum and Scrofula.

The intense itching and smarting incident to these diseases, is instantly allayed by applying Chamberlain's Itch and Skin Ointment. Many very bad cases have been permanently cured by it. It is equally efficient for itching piles and a favorite remedy for sore nipples, chapped hands, chilblains, frost bites and chronic sore eyes. 25c per box. For sale by Dr. A. J. Chas. Dec 30—o

Dr. Cady's Condition Powders

re just what a horse needs when in bad condition. Tonic, blood purifier and vermifuge. They are not food but medicine, and the best to use to put a horse in prime condition. Price 25c per package. For sale by Dr. A. J. Chas. Dec 30—o

JURY LIST.

The petit jury for the first week, October term of court, was drawn this morning as follows:

J O Dawkins, Middleton.
J W Fort, Concord.
C L Emanuel, Rafting Creek.
R O Wactor, Swimming Pens.
F B Bradford, Middleton.
T L Belvin, Spring Hill.
D V Keels, Rafting Creek.
J W Keels, Shiloh.
C M Baker, Mayesville.
C F McFaddin, Sumter.
B R Barkley, Privateer.
T S Ross, Rafting Creek.
R O Barrows, Manchester.
W J Dawsey, Sumter.
J B Smith, Shiloh.
E W Dabbs, Mayesville.
J J Cato, Rafting Creek.
L B Durant, Sumter.
Geo M Dew, Middleton.
R L Durant, Carter's Crossing.
H N Scurry, Concord.
Wm Sims, Privateer.
J J Britton, Jr, Concord.
J S Pinckney, Stateburg.
E Alexander, Rural.
W B James, Bishopville.
J O Singleton, Middleton.
A S Beasley, Carter's Crossing.
M M Lenoir, Stateburg.
J H Cooper, Mayesville.
T W Hawkins, Spring Hill.
T B Kennedy, Sumter.
W S Burkett, Providence.
T J Baker, Swimming Pens.
R J Brownfield, Providence.
Wallace Sanders, Stateburg.

A Wonderful Cure of Diarrhoea.

A Prominent Virginia Editor Had Almost Given Up, but Was Brought Back to Perfect Health by Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy.

READ HIS EDITORIAL.

From the Times, Hillsdale, Va.
I suffered with diarrhoea for a long time and thought I was past being cured. I had spent much time and money and suffered so much misery that I had almost decided to give up all hopes of recovery and await the result, but noticing the advertisement of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and also some testimonials stating how some wonderful cures had been wrought by this remedy, I decided to try it. After taking a few doses I was entirely well of that trouble, and I wish to say further to my readers and fellow-sufferers that I am a hale and hearty man today and feel as well as I ever did in my life.—O. R. Moore. Sold by A. J. Chas.

Wedgfield News.

WEDGEFIELD, S. C., Sept. 11.
Gambling again came near causing Bill Pickens to lose his life. He was shot in the back last year, and yesterday evening had a close call. A pistol ball grazed his head. The wound he made his escape.

The election passed off quietly. The cotton crop will be shorter than first thought, on an average there will not be more than a half crop through this section. Gain crop the shortest in years.

Messrs. Robert and Will Barwell and Willie Cain left for Olemson this morning.

The Institute—Its Work, Etc.

Some one asks, "Of what use are these institutes? Are they not a needless expense?" To those open to conviction I offer these few thoughts:

The instructors are those who are making pedagogy a special study, who, devoting their entire time to it, are brought in touch with the best thought, the ripest experience on the subject. This is, to say the least, the case with our instructors. What are the consequences? They are enthused, and they enthrall the teachers on the subject of education, a big thing in itself.

They have a method a tried method: I do not mean by this that our teachers have none, but that, however good theirs may be it may be improved upon. I think all who have attended the institute this year realize this. It is appropriate to say here that the agitation the subject of education here receives cannot be otherwise than helpful to teachers and the public. We, all intelligent people who have any acquaintance with the work done, look for good results to follow.

Something has already been said about the "Natural Development Method," we add this; we believe that the basal principle of instruction has been found, its lines of thought upon which it would proceed discovered, and that from henceforth school teaching will be much easier, pleasanter, more profitable.

Bringing the teachers together once a year gives opportunity for exchange of thought, experience, etc., associations that are bound to be helpful in many ways we have not time to discuss. It freshens them upon old things, leaves them the new, and helps to keep them abreast with the times.

It may be, should be, made a time to bring the subject prominently before everybody, and to take such steps, and devise such means as shall aid the cause.

Some one asks "What remains to be done?" That seems a strange question to well-informed people, but to some it seems quite proper. There is much, very much to be done. What we do want, and need bad enough, are good school houses, such as are worthy the name of academy. It is no exaggeration to say some people, not a great many I hope, almost pale before such utterances. It must be so.

If not why such bulls as are found in many places, poorly provided with desks, blackboards, etc., and stores that give out more smoke and heat than warmth?

At the risk of being called extravagant we call attention to a greater need, one we sincerely hope will be supplied: that in every school shall be a library. Some people, all intelligent teachers, will applaud this idea, but others will denounce it as extravagance gone wild.

Teacher-Pupil.

September fashion books in at Osteen's cook store.

THE COTTON MARKET.

Cotton has passed the 10 cent mark, and on Monday it was sold on the streets in this city for 10½ for middling. Several bales sold during the morning for 10 15. On yesterday it sold for 10½ to 10.40. The general opinion is that the price must go higher, and there is no necessity for the farmers to rush their crop to market.

About 2,000 bales have been received during the past week. Today cotton is selling at 10 35 to 10 50.

Millions Given Away.

It is certainly gratifying to the public to know of one concern in the land who are not afraid to be generous to the needy and suffering. The proprietors of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, have given away over ten million trial bottles of this great medicine; and have the satisfaction of knowing it has absolutely cured thousands of hopeless cases. Asthma, Bronchitis, Hoarseness and all diseases of the Throat, Chest and lungs are surely cured by it. Call on J. F. W. DeLorme, Druggist, and get trial bottle free. Regular size 50c and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed, or price refunded. 3.

Coast Line Improvements.

Florence, Sept 5.—The Atlantic Coast Line Company is making wonderful improvements in its properties from Quantico to Charleston, Augusta and Columbia. Within the past year it has completed its entire main line tracks with 90-pound steel rails. It has built many new freight and passenger depots and has made large additions to its officers' headquarters. The several shops have been consolidated and the capacity of those in service tripled. Thousands of dollars have been put in new machinery in the shops. The system has decided that the old, dilapidated, dusty coaches and the little old wood-burner engines, so long in service, must be relegated or shipped away to some little one horse tram road or for saw mill purposes and be replaced by the up to date, modern and comfortable vestibuled coaches, hand-somely upholstered, lighted by electricity and heated by steam. The great monster locomotive of today will replace the tiny wood burners that have been pulling a "shoo-fly" passenger and a dozen box cars on a freight train.

An order has been placed with the Richmond Locomotive Works for ten of the large modern freight engines, duplicates of those purchased by this system last year of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, of Philadelphia. These engines are monster machines and are known as "copper heads" or "10-wheel jacks." They are fitted with 194 26 inch cylinders, 63-inch driving wheels, and immense boiler and fire box and the latest improvements, such as injectors, valves, lubricators, etc. The tanks are of 4,000 gallon capacity and will carry water enough to run an engine pulling a heavy train for fifty miles and coal enough to run one hundred and fifty miles. Each of them are neatly and handsomely painted and conveniently arranged for oiling and repairing.

Six of these monster locomotives have already been delivered to the Coast Line at their shops here and will be used for hauling freight trains between Charleston, Augusta, Florence and Richmond.

In addition to these the Coast Line Company have purchased of the Baldwin Locomotive Works, of Philadelphia, two more of the large passenger engines known as "trailers," and two immense "pushers" for drilling on the yards. The two trailers are duplicates of those now in use between Florence and Rocky Mount, N. C. They will be used on the "New York and Augusta Flyer" between Florence and Augusta, which route is expected to procure the "fast mail" appropriation. The Southern Railway now has the "plum," but the Coast Line people say they will have that appropriation if they have to get "flying machines."

As to the passenger service, the Coast Line people are now having built at their own shops in Wilmington and in the Pullman Works, at Pullman, Ill., 20 beautiful vestibuled coaches, that will replace all the old "shacks" now in service on the main lines. These coaches are built and fitted with a view to the comfort of passengers, vestibuled, elegantly upholstered, lavatories, lighted with electricity and heated by steam. They will be painted a dark olive green on the outside, trimmed and lettered in old gold, while the interior is beautifully fitted in antique oak. These cars will be used on the local "shoo-flyers" as well as on the through trains.

Two dozen large "caboose" cars, 100 flat cars and 500 ventilated box cars of 80,000-pounds capacity, are being built at the Wilmington shops, all of them fitted with Jenny couplers—News and Courier.

Glasgow, Scotland, Sept 8.—An official bulletin issued today says two additional bubonic plague cases have been admitted to the hospital and that nine additional persons have been placed under observation.

Chicago, Sept 9.—At noon tomorrow Gen Jos Wheeler, commander of the department of the lakes, will cease to be an officer of the United States army. Gen Wheeler, who is 64 years old, has reached the age limit for service in the army. His retirement will be officially communicated to him by a telegram from Washington, when he will surrender his command to Gen James H. Wade, who will remain in charge until Maj Gen Otis comes to assume permanent control of the department. Gen Wheeler will leave tomorrow night for Montezano, Ala, his native home.

McSWEENEY WINS.

Majority Reported Nearly Eight Thousand.

Returns Incomplete, But Missing Precincts Will Not Make Change.

The following summary of the returns received in Columbia last night is taken from the State of this date:

The second State primary election has been held and the returns have come in more completely than on any preceding occasion of the kind. The returns received by the State this morning amount for a total vote of upwards of 63,000. There will hardly be from 10,000 to 12,000 more votes to be reported. The returns were sent in promptly from most of the counties, and by 1 o'clock practically everything that was received was in. It was rather a difficult undertaking to get the returns in shipshape so that they could be given to the public this morning.

As a result of the election Gov McSweeney continues in the office of governor for the next two years. He has received 34,921 votes against 27,412 for Col Hoyt, his majority being 7,509.

In the race for lieutenant governor Col Sloan has been beaten by Col Tillman, the former's vote being 28,090 against the latter's 33,974, the majority being 5,874 on present figures.

For railroad commissioner the vote was 33,880 for Wharton and 27,634 for Evans, the majority being 6,236. Chairman Evans is undoubtedly beaten.

In the Sixth congressional district Congressman Norton has been badly beaten by Lieut Gov Scarborough.

The election seems to have passed off quietly all over the State save in Fairfield county, and for a cutting scrape in this county.

Wm Henry Stevenson Killed at Feasterville and Edward Brazell Killed at Blythwood.

Special to the State.

Winneshboro, Sept 11.—There were disturbances today at two places—Feasterville and Blythwood. William H. Stevenson was shot and killed by Johnson Cameron at Feasterville.

At Blythwood there was a street fight in which a man named Brazzell was shot in the leg. It is thought that politics was the cause of both disturbances. No further particulars can be learned.

Ridgeway, Sept 11.—As a result of an election dispute at Blythwood today Edward Brazzell was shot and afterward died from the wounds.

Working Night and Day.

The busiest and mightiest little thing that ever was made is Dr. King's New Life Pills. Every pill is a sugar-coated globe of health, that changes weakness into strength, listlessness into energy, bairn-fag into mental power. They're wonderful in building up the health. Only 25c per box. Sold by J. F. W. DeLorme Druggist.

Manchester's Cotton Fight.

London, Sept 8.—Manchester today reports that the cotton mills are closing in large numbers in the districts manipulating American cotton. The position grows more acute daily.

The Manchester Guardian explains that a part of the little cotton at Liverpool is found to be of inferior quality and prices are too high to make spinning profitable with yarn and cloth at their present values. "New York and Manchester," the paper continues, "are engaged in a game of pull, and the resolutions of the spinners is Manchester's answer to the corner, if there is one at New York, in the interest of the Lancashire industry. We may hope it will still further discourage the bulls and speedily cheapen cotton."

Manchester, Sept 8.—Thirty cotton mills have already closed. Many more mills are expected to close next week. The opinions of leading spinners is that the normal conditions of trade will not return before November, when the new crop comes in. The idle operatives will have to be maintained out of the union funds.

PARTIAL RETURNS 2d PRIMARY ELECTION, Held September 11, 1900.

VOTING PLACES.	STATE OFFICERS.					COUNTY OFFICERS.									
	GOV. NOB.	LT. GOV.	R. R. COM.	SHERIFF.	SUP'VR.	CORONER.	CLERK.	DEPUTY CLERK.	DEPUTY CLERK.	DEPUTY CLERK.	DEPUTY CLERK.	DEPUTY CLERK.	DEPUTY CLERK.	DEPUTY CLERK.	DEPUTY CLERK.
Atkins	15														
Bishopville	231	120	264	86	152	195	12	339	154	197	235	111			
Bossard	34	26	29	31	43	17	36	24	43	17	11	49	26	3	
Bandana															
Carter's Crossing	44	30	52	22	58	16	17	58	29	44	20	54			
Concord	9	11	7	14	12	8	4	12	39	38	14				
Catchall	41	27	52	16	42	26	34	32	18	49	49	18			
Sumter	184	270	123	331	250	202	322	144	200	265	399	65			
Magnolia, Dem.	7	55	12	50	14	45	3	59	5	37	37	25			
High Hills															
Gaillard's X Rds	13	23	27	9	12	24	19	17	4	32	17	19	20	3	
Mt Clo	48	9	55	1	48	9	9	48	49	8	5	52			
Rattlesnake Spg	28	3	27	4	28	3	31	26	4	1	30				
Wells' X Roads	50	4	50	4	51	3	1	53	52	2	4	50			
Smithville	27	38	29	26	35	30	46	19	34	31	20	45	12	53	
Hampton	12	27	15	24	25	14	31	8	9	30	5	34	34	2	
Zoar	51	14	63	2	61	4	64	1	61	4	9	56			
Mayesville	41	64	43	65	32	75	35	74	41	68	77	30			
Salem															
Rafting Creek	24	46	13	56	54	16	25	48	40	31	62	9			
Privateer	25	22	17	28	16	28	39	6	24	16	29	17			
Scarboro	3	30	3	30	2	31	3	30	4	29	27	6			
Farmers	33	21	41	13	37	16	41	12	33	20	26	27			
Manchester	41	6	45	2	40	7	40	7	22	25	18	28			
Pleasant Grove															
Wedgfield	15	37	7	45	6	44	32	22	13	39	45	8			
Providence	19	7	25	3	13	14	20	1	12	15	11	16			
Stateburg	3	36	41	7	34	40	4	1	40	40	1				
Magnolia	29	7	18	18	28	8	12	23	27	9	3	33			
Shiloh															
Mt Clo, No 1	7	35	11	31	17	24	3	39	18	24	29	13			
Taylor															
Laborers & Mch	60	23	57	27	67	17	86	4	40	49	53	36			
Total															

The returns are incomplete at the hour our forms close, but as only six boxes are unreported it is settled almost conclusively that Scarborough, for Sheriff; Seals, for Supervisor, and Flowers for Coroner, are nominated.

FALL ANNOUNCEMENT

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And we can safely promise if you inspect our elegant line of Dry Goods, Notions, Carpets, Cloaks, Shoes, Clothing, and Groceries, you will be more than satisfied and be amply repaid for your time thus expended.

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